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The 45th Anniversary of the Japan Parliamentarians Federation for Population (JPFP) (Part II): Promotion of Parliamentary Activities on Population and Development and ICPPD

The last issue traced the history leading up to the establishment of JPFP and its activities during the 1970s. In this issue, we follow JPFP's activities in the international arena during the 1980s and 1990s.

October 1981 - The Asian Conference of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (ACPPD) (Beijing, China)

The conference resolved to establish the Asian Forum of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (AFPPD) as well as the Asian Population and Development Association (APDA), as the parental body of AFPPD. Hon. Takeo Fukuda (Chair of JPFP) was awarded the United Nations Peace Medal.



1981 - ACPPD (Beijing)

Headed by Hon. Takeo Fukuda (Chair of JPFP, HR, LDP), the participants from Japan included: Hon. Takashi Sato (HR, LDP), Hon. Eisaku Sumi (HR, LDP), Hon. Keiji Shoji (HR, LDP), Hon. Yoshiro Mori (HR, LDP), Hon. Junichiro Koizumi (HR, LDP), Hon. Katsutsugu Sekiya (HR, LDP), Hon. Shin Sakurai (HR, LDP), Hon. Akira Momiyama (HR, LDP), Hon. Shigeru Ishimoto (HC, LDP), Hon. Yukio Tashiro (HC, LDP), Hon. Chikage Ogi (Hiroko Hayashi) (HC, LDP), Hon. Dr. Hironori Inoue (HR, SPDJ), Hon. Takako Doi (HR, SPDJ), Hon. Yoshito Fukuoka (HR, SPDJ), Hon. Toshimi Kawamoto (HR, SPDJ), Hon. Jinichi Katayama (HC, SPDJ), Hon. Shigetake Arishima (HR, Komeito), Hon. Yasu Kashiwabara (HC, Komeito), Hon. Dr. Hidehiko Yaoi (HR, Komeito), Hon. Kosaku Wada (HR, DSP), Hon. Michikazu Karatani (HC, DSP), Hon. Toshio Yamaguchi (HR, NLC), Hon. Shogo Abe (HR, SDF), and their secretaries including Mr. Yasuo Fukuda.

February 1982 - Establishment of APDA

APDA succeeded JOICFP as the secretariat of JPFP.

March 1982 - Establishment of AFPPD

Hon. Takashi Sato (Executive Director of JPFP) was appointed the first Chair of AFPPD.

April 1982 - Establishment of the Global Committee of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (GCPPD)

In promoting launch of regional parliamentary groups, JPFP set up GCPPD as an organization that would coordinate among the regional groups. Hon. Takeo Fukuda (Chair of JPFP) was appointed the Chair of GCPPD.

December 1982 - Establishment of the Inter-American Parliamentary Group on Population and Development (IAPG) (Brasilia, Brazil)

IAPG was established under the guidance of JPFP.

November 1983 - The 1st Annual Plenary Meeting of the InterAction Council of Former Heads of State and Government (OB Summit) (Vienna, Austria)

Hon. Takeo Fukuda (Honorary Chair of InterAction Council), Hon. Kurt Waldheim (former Secretary General of the United Nations), and Mr. Bradford Morse (Administrator of UNDP) convened the inaugural session of the InterAction Council. GCPPD and UNDP jointly hosted the meeting.



1983 - The 1st OB Summit (Vienna)

February 1984 - The 1st General Assembly of AFPPD (New Delhi, India)

A total of 297 participants attended the conference, including H.E. Indira Gandhi (Prime Minister of India), H.E. Varlam Jaccard (Speaker of the Parliament of India), Hon. Helmut Schmidt (former Chancellor of West Germany), and 131 parliamentarians from 31 countries.

Led by Hon. Takeo Fukuda (Chair of JPPF, HR, LDP) as the honorary head of the delegation and Hon. Takashi Sato (Chair of AFPPD, HR, LDP) as the head of the delegation, the participants from Japan included Hon. Dr. Hironori Inoue (HR, SPDJ), Hon. Shogo Abe (HR, SDF), Hon. Dr. Hidehiko Yaoi (HR, Komeito), Hon. Tokichi Abiko (HC, LDP), Hon. Michikazu Karatani (HC, DSP), Hon. Ichiji Ishii (HC, LDP), and Hon. Hiroyuki Kurata (HC, LDP).



1984 - The 1st AFPPD General Assembly (New Delhi)

Since, the AFPPD General Assembly has been held almost every three years.

August 1984 - The International Conference of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (ICPPD) (Mexico City, Mexico)

ICPPD was held, under the leadership of Japan, to coincide with the conference of population hosted by the UN in Mexico City. Sixty countries participated in ICPPD. Participating from Japan were: Hon. Takeo Fukuda (Chair of JPPF, Chair of GCPPD, HR, LDP), Hon. Tatsuo Tanaka (HR, LDP), Hon. Hiroshi Mitsuzuka (HR, LDP), Hon. Takashi Sato (HR, LDP), Hon. Minoru Mizuta (HR, SPDJ), Hon. Takanobu Nagai (HR, SPDJ), Hon. Dr. Hidehiko Yaoi (HR, Komeito), Hon. Michikazu Karatani (HR, DSP), and Hon. Ichiji Ishii (HC, LDP).

February 1985 - The 1st Asian Parliamentarians' Meeting on Population and Development (APDA Meeting) (Tokyo, Japan)

The APDA Meeting was held in the international conference hall of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan to discuss the theme of "Population and Development in Asia". The following parliamentarians and ministers attended the meeting from overseas: Hon. B. J. Goodluck (Australia), Hon. Xu Dixin (China), Hon. He Liliang (China), Hon. Sat Paul Mittal (India), Hon. Martono, Minister for Transmigration (Indonesia), Hon. Dr. Mo-Im Kim (Korea), Hon. Rahmah Osman, Deputy Minister of Transport (Malaysia), Hon. Dron Shumsher Rana (Nepal), Hon. Carmencita Reyes, Assembly women (Philippines), Hon. Ranjit Attapattu, Minister of Health (Sri Lanka), Hon. Boontium Khamapirad, Deputy Ministry of Transport and Communications (Thailand).



1986 - The 2nd APDA Meeting (Tokyo)

Participating from Japan were Hon. Takeo Fukuda (Chair of JPPF, HR, LDP), Hon. Tatsuo Tanaka (HR, LDP), Hon. Takashi Sato (HR, LDP), Hon. Eisaku Sumi (HR, LDP), Hon. Katsutsugu Sekiya (HR, LDP), Hon. Michihiko Kano (HR, LDP), Hon. Shin Sakurai (HR, LDP), Hon. Tokichi Abiko (HC, LDP), Hon. Hiroyuki Kurata (HC, LDP), Hon. Ichiji Ishii (HC, LDP), Hon. Dr. Hironori Inoue (HR, SPDJ), Hon. Dr. Hidehiko Yaoi (HR, Komeito), Hon. Dr. Eimatsu Takakuwa (HC, Komeito), Hon. Dr. Susumu Fukuda (HR, DSP), Hon. Michikazu Karatani (HC, DSP), and Hon. Shogo Abe (HR, SDF).

The meeting had been convened continuously in Asian countries for nearly 30 years until 2014 (the 30th APDA Meeting).

In April, Hon. Takashi Sato (Executive Director of JPPF and Chair of AFPPD) was awarded the United Nations Peace Medal.

April 1986 - The 4th Annual Plenary Meeting of the InterAction Council of Former Heads of State and Government (OB Summit) (Tokyo and Hakone, Japan)

Following on the 2nd Annual Plenary Meeting (Brioni, Yugoslavia) in 1984 and the 3rd Annual Plenary Meeting (Paris, France) in 1985, the 4th Annual Plenary Meeting of the OB Summit was held in Tokyo and Hakone, Japan. The meeting adopted the Final Communiqué comprised of “I. Population, Environment and Development”, “II. Peace and Security”, and “III. Revitalization of the World Economy”.



1986 - The 4th OB Summit (Hakone)

September 1986 - Parliamentarian delegation on a tour of the situation surrounding population (Nepal)

The delegation had a meeting with the Nepalese parliamentary group on population and development, which had just been formed, and inspected projects for population and family planning conducted by such organizations as Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), and JOICFP.

Led by Hon. Takeo Fukuda (Chair of JPPF, HR, LDP) as the honorary head of the delegation and Hon. Tatsuo Tanaka (HR, LDP) as the head of the delegation, the participants from Japan included Hon. Takashi Sato (HR, LDP), Hon. Shin Sakurai (HR, LDP), Hon. Mitsu Kaneko (HR, SPDJ), Hon. Dr. Hidehiko Yaoi (HR, Komeito), Hon. Dr. Motoo Abe (HR, DSP), Hon. Chikage Ogi (Hiroko Hayashi) (HC, LDP), Hon. Ichiji Ishii (HC, LDP), and Hon. Dr. Eimatsu Takakuwa (HC, Komeito).



1986 - Parliamentarian delegation on a tour of the situation surrounding population (Nepal)

Since then, Japanese parliamentarians have conducted tours of population and development projects almost every year, including in China in 1987, Bangladesh in 1988, Indonesia and Sri Lanka in 1990, Vietnam in 1991, Zimbabwe, Kenya, and Ghana in 1991, India in 1992, and Malaysia in 1993.

September 1994 - International Conference of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (ICPPD) (Cairo, Egypt)

Prior to the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) held in Cairo, Egypt, Hon. Shin Sakurai (Chair of AFPPD and Executive Director of JPPF) convened the International Conference of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (ICPPD). Some 300 parliamentarians from 117 countries participated, adopting the ICPPD Declaration. The declaration was fully reflected in the Preamble and the Principles, which laid down the concepts of the Programme of Action (PoA) of the ICPD.



1994 - ICPPD (Cairo)

The delegation from Japan included Hon. Dr. Taro Nakayama (Chair of JPPF, HR, LDP), Hon. Shin Sakurai (Chair of AFPPD, HR, LDP), Hon. Takashi Kosugi (HR, LDP), Hon. Kayoko Shimizu (HC, LDP), Hon. Toshikatsu Matsuoka (HR, LDP), Hon. Hirohisa Kurihara (HR, LDP), Hon. Tadahiro Matsushita (HR, LDP), Hon. Yukiko Kawahashi (HC, SPDJ), Hon. Wakako Hironaka (HC, Komeito), and Hon. Tamako Nakahishi (HC, Komeito).

An NGO conference was also held in parallel to the ICPD, with IPPF playing a central role. A declaration from the NGO conference was also included in the discussions at the ICPD.

Later, the ICPD and ICPPD prompted the establishment of the Forum of African and Arab Parliamentarians for Population and Development (FAAPPD) in 1997. Furthermore, the parliamentarians' conference for ICPD+5 of 1999 led to the establishment of the European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development (today's EPF). Therefore, all of the parliamentary forums on population and development around the world were set up by the initiative of JPPF.

Note: Affiliation and office of individuals are those assumed at the time.

- HR: House of Representatives
- HC: House of Councillors
- DSP: Democratic Socialist Party
- Komeito: Komeito Party
- LDP: Liberal Democratic Party
- NLC: New Liberal Club
- SDF: Socialist Democratic Federation
- SDPJ: Social Democratic Party of Japan

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